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TYPE OF TROOPS	COLOR OF UNIFORM	BRANCH OF SERVICE COLOR	OFFICERS SHOULDER- BOARDS		CAP CROWN	CAP BAND
Internal	Khaki or olive green Coats: gray	Light blue and probably red piping	Gold back- ground, light blue piping and center stripes	Blue back- ground, rec piping	Blue i with red pipin	Red.
Frontier	Khaki or olive green Coats: gray Parade uni- form: green jackets, dark blue trousers		Gold back- ground, green center stripes	Green back- ground	Green	Dark blue
Maritime Frontier	Officers: naval black	Green	Gold back- ground, green pip- ing and center stripes	Black with green pip- ing and gold rank stripes	"MGB - Frontic men" (1	
Militía	Winter: dark blue; Summer: white jack- ets and gloves (rare) dark blue trousers	Red, blue piping	Gold back- ground	Red with blue pip- ing	Winter: dark blue Summer: white	Winter and summer: red
Railroad and River Militia	Black Coats: dark blue	Dark red	- rs are carried	· _	-	
Fire- guards	Khaki or olive green Coats: gray	Blue	Gold with blue center stripes and piping	Blue back- ground, red piping	Blue with red piping	Dark blue
Guards	Khaki or olive green Coats: gray	Blue	Gold with blue center stripes and piping	ground, red piping	Blue with red piping	Dark blue

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- 2. In winter, gray fur caps are worn (Maritime Frontier Guards: Black).
 - a. Generals and general staff officers from lieutenant colonels upwards wear the Papakha type, gray Persian lamb or Karakul fur, except Maritime Frontier Guards.
 - b. Militia of all ranks wear a round fur cap, not as tall as the <u>Papakha</u> type. This is made so that the front will stay up and the back can be turned down to cover ears and neck. The fur is black and the hat has a blue cloth top and red piping crossed.

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